STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

SYNOPSIS AGENDA/EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

CODE: PL-02

COMMITTEE: Policy and Legislative

DATE: June 10, 2015

SUBJECT/TITLE

Dorchester School District Four Waiver Request of State Board of Education (SBE) Regulation 2 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 43-205 (R.43-205), Administrative and Professional Personnel Qualifications, Duties and Workloads

PURPOSE OF REPORT/REGULATION/ITEM

The purpose of this request is to waive non-compliance of R.43-205(IV)(B)(3)(c) for teachers who are assigned classes requiring more than four (4) preparations daily and for the waiver to apply to the remaining term of the district strategic and school renewal plans.

CRITICAL FACTS

State Board of Education R.43-205 prohibits a teacher from being assigned classes requiring more than four (4) daily preparations.

In secondary schools, many teachers are assigned classes requiring more than four (4) daily preparations and subsequently cause accreditation deficiencies.

Attempts to reorganize the secondary school schedules to accommodate the daily preparation limitation would disrupt the existing district strategic and school renewal plans previously implemented under R.43-261, District and School Comprehensive Planning.

The district strategic and school renewal plan cycle continues through to the 2015–16 school year.

TIMELINE/REVIEW PROCESS

October 2014–January 2015	The SCDE accreditation team reviews school/district data and
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documentation for compliance to SBE regulations and

accreditation standards.

February 2015 Preliminary analysis reports and accreditation ratings are

posted online for school and district viewing.

February 2015–May 2015 The SCDE accreditation team works with schools and

districts to resolve accreditation deficiencies.

April 30, 2015	The district was to submit updated strategic plans to SCDE.
July 2015	The 2014–15 Annual Report of the Accreditation of School Districts in South Carolina, containing the final accreditation status for schools and districts, goes to the SBE for approval.
ECONOMIC IMPACT	
COST: FUND/SOURCE:	N/A N/A
ATTACHMENTS	
Attachments: yes no (attachments must be submitted with synopsis) Name of Attachments: Dorchester School District Four Waiver Request	
RECOMMENDATION	
The SCDE recommends approval of the following motion: "The SBE approves the waiver request of R.43-205(IV)(B)(3)(c) for teachers who are assigned classes requiring more than four (4) daily preparations and for the waiver to apply to the remaining term of the district strategic and school renewal plans."	
ACTION REQUEST	
FOR APPROVAL: [☐ FOR INFORMATION ONLY: